

BEFORE THE  
POSTAL REGULATORY COMMISSION  
WASHINGTON, DC 20268

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In the Matter of:

Elmo, Missouri, 64445  
Post Office State ZIP Code

POSTAL REGULATORY  
COMMISSION  
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY  
Docket No: A2012-48

Joyce Ecker, Petitioner(s)

## PARTICIPANT STATEMENT

1. Petitioner(s) are appealing the Postal Service's Final Determination concerning the Elmo post office. The Final Determination was posted October 12-2011 (date)

2. In accordance with applicable law, 39 U.S.C. § 404(d)(5), the Petitioner(s) request the Postal Regulatory Commission to review the Postal Service's determination on the basis of the record before the Postal Service in the making of the determination.

3. Petitioners: Please set out below the reasons why you believe the Postal Service's Final Determination should be reversed and returned to the Postal Service for further consideration. (See pages of the Instructions for an outline of the kinds of reasons the law requires us to consider.) Please be as specific as possible. Please continue on additional paper if you need more space and attach the additional paper(s) to this form.

Some facts told us by the Postal Service are not true.  
1. That we were within 12½ miles of 8 Postoffices (false) Bushington  
Jct., Missouri, to be our main Postoffice, our mail now comes  
from there. Is 25 miles round trip, price of this, we aren't going  
there for service.

Many people can't drive. Most (including me) don't have  
computers, can't buy on line.

We are in a very rural area, bad roads, in need of repairs

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not good in good weather, impassable in winter.

(MODOT) Missouri's Department of Transportation, has cut their budget.

Will not be opening as many roads as soon as usual this year.

Elmo was changed to part time in July 2011. Hours are 12:15 pm - 4:15 p.m. This has not been working in good weather. The mail coming from Burlington Jct., Mo. with the rural carrier, is quite often late. So patrons are waiting for their mail.

The truck & driver that has brought the mail before, still comes by early in the morning (right by front Door) from Highway 71. Would be first Highway to be opened in winter. Like it has been for 40 yrs.

But now can't drop it off, so could be delivered on time.

8A.M - 12pm would be, much better for part time hrs. and delivery on time.

No, rural carrier can get all this done, with an additional 38 boxes to deliver, with all the promised services, provided by the rural carrier.

It's impossible

Younger Oil Company has 900 customers, in a 3,100 sq mile area. They get very big checks everyday. Have to get to bank everyday 25 miles away by 2 p.m. Could do all this 24 hrs. in morning. Have for 50 yrs., but now have to run their business 24 hrs. behind. With mail not getting here till after 1 pm from Burlington Jct. (impossible).

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You're not going to save that much money. Can have rent free. And with a OIC as our postmaster, no high dollar salary.

We won't have as good of service as we had when the Pony Express went by coming from St. Joseph, Missouri.

If our hrs. could be 8 AM - 12 P.M., mail dropped off as carrier goes by of a morning. Sadie Leabo as our OIC our postal service would be great.

You have got many letters, before, stating these facts. Closing the Elmo, Mo. Post Office will be a great hardship on the whole surrounding community.

Please give this decision, your very thoughtful and careful attention,

Joyce Ecker

Resident of Elmo 74 yrs.

I request a grant of waiver from filing on line.